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ARKANSAS CHICK PLACEMENTS UP 9 PERCENT FROM LAST YEAR

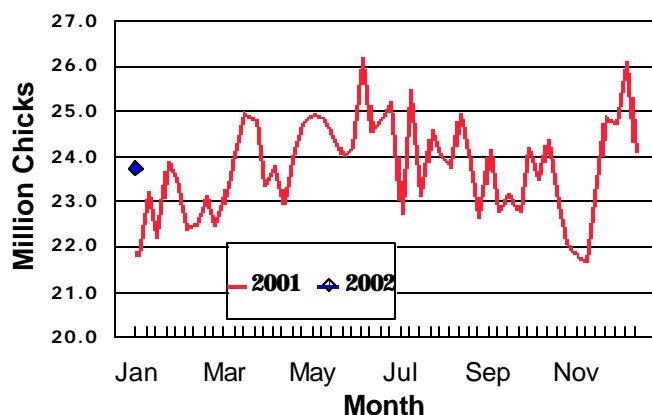
Broiler-type chicks placed for meat production in Arkansas was 23.8 million during the week ending January 5, 2001, according to the Arkansas Agricultural Statistics Service. Placements were up 9 percent from the comparable week in 2001, but slightly below the revised previous week, and included 2.6 million chicks shipped in from other states.

The broiler-type chicks hatched for the week was 25.2 million, up 7 percent from the corresponding week a year earlier, and 2 percent above the previous week. Of the total hatch, 3.6 million chicks were shipped out of the state. Average hatchability for chicks hatched was 82.1 percent.

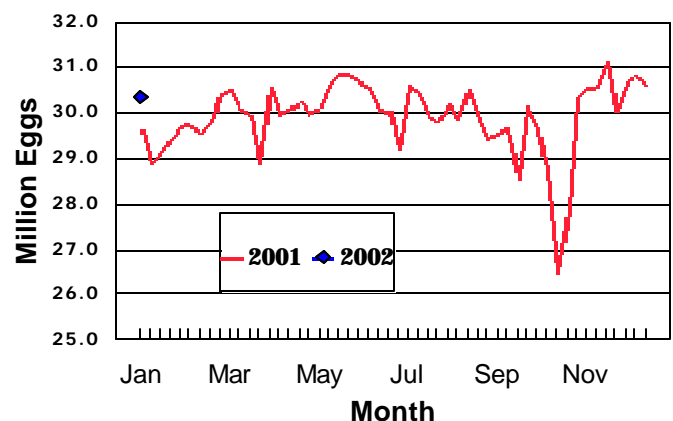
Arkansas hatcheries set 30.3 million broiler-type eggs during the week ending January 5, 2002, up 2 percent from the same period last year but 1 percent below the previous week.

Week Ending	NET PLACEMENTS			CHICKS HATCHED			EGGS SET		
	2000-01	2001-02	% Change	2000-01	2001-02	% Change	2000-01	2001-02	% Change
	1,000			1,000			1,000		
Dec. 1	24,253	23,459	97	24,418	25,047	103	29,753	31,179	105
Dec. 8	23,217	24,937	107	24,193	25,189	104	29,442	30,081	102
Dec. 15	23,334	24,756	106	24,856	25,240	102	29,661	30,701	104
Dec. 22	23,229	26,129	112	24,531	25,714	105	29,348	30,830	105
Dec. 29	21,286	23,849	112	23,577	24,677	105	27,110	30,596	113
Jan. 5	21,817	23,768	109	23,608	25,194	107	29,608	30,326	102

CHICKS PLACED IN ARKANSAS, 2001 - 2002



EGGS SET, 2001 - 2002



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BROILER EGGS SET AND CHICKS PLACED IN 15 MAJOR STATES BY WEEKS, 2001

EGGS SET (in Thousands)						CHICKS PLACED (in Thousands)						
STATE	Week Ending				1/ %	Week Ending						
	15-Dec	22-Dec	29-Dec	05-Jan		01-Dec	08-Dec	15-Dec	22-Dec	29-Dec	05-Jan	1/ %
Alabama	29,345 *	29,504	29,409 *	29,304	106	21,412	21,053	22,331	21,526 *	22,437 *	22,209	105
ARKANSAS	30,701	30,830	30,596	30,326	102	23,459	24,937	24,756	26,129	23,849 *	23,768	109
Delaware	3,398	3,665	3,489	3,466	84	5,324	4,508	4,926	5,103 *	4,371 *	4,756	101
Florida	2,302 *	2,304	2,503	2,423	95	2,143	2,523	1,922	2,402	2,274	2,229	96
Georgia	31,488	31,682	30,327 *	30,960	101	25,081	25,558	24,106 *	26,096 *	25,694 *	26,328	108
Maryland	8,867	8,816	8,516 *	8,669	106	5,599	5,627	5,388 *	6,605 *	4,999 *	5,262	93
Mississippi	19,024	18,997	18,441 *	18,832	104	14,461	15,427	15,193	15,654	15,274 *	15,991	105
N. Carolina	10,620 *	19,249	10,333	10,702	106	14,053	14,597	15,113	15,124	14,245	14,623	102
Pennsylvania	3,942	3,882	3,724 *	3,748	107	2,763	2,746	2,872	2,672	2,810 *	3,174	122
S. Carolina	4,482	4,922	4,728 *	4,712	97	4,229	3,756	3,816	3,751	4,225	3,685	97
Texas	14,926 *	15,031 *	15,378 *	15,360	106	11,452	11,241 *	11,569	11,295 *	11,831	11,929	105
Virginia	6,635	6,634	6,631	6,634	104	4,931	5,076	5,004	5,609	5,475	5,060	113
CATN & WVA	10,635	10,850	11,057 *	10,654	97	9,770	9,869	9,659	9,090	9,319 *	9,194	91
Total 2001-2002	184,453 *	186,446 *	183,212 *	183,875		145,472	147,218 *	146,660 *	151,636 *	146,803 *	149,121	
Total 2000-2001	179,814	179,487	176,109	178,831		144,183	143,211	144,833	144,082	138,710	142,848	
% PREV. YEAR	103	104	104	103		101	103	101	105	106	104	
APPROXIMATE MARKETING DATE 2002.....						19-Jan	26-Jan	02-Feb	09-Feb	16-Feb	23-Feb	
* Revised .. 1/ Current week as percent of the same week last year.												
*Kentucky	5,726 *	5,599 *	5,042 *	5,397		3,821 *	4,345 *	4,419 *	4,663 *	4,364 *	4,334	
*Oklahoma	6,362 *	6,526	6,481	6,565	--	5,677	5,225	4,487	4,495	5,082	3,985	--
*IA & MO	9,200	9,127	0,973 *	0,036	--	0,750	0,140	0,979	0,540	0,410 *	10,202	--
19 StateTotal	205,029 *	207,690 *	203,700 *	204,673		163,733 *	165,436 *	164,545 *	169,334 *	164,667 *	167,642	

* Beginning May 16, 2001 four additional States are being published for the first time in the weekly broiler program.

EGGS SET IN 15 MAJOR BROILER PRODUCING STATES UP 3 PERCENT

Commercial hatcheries in the 15-state weekly program set 184 million eggs during the week ending January 5, 2002. This was up 3 percent from the eggs set the corresponding week a year earlier. Average hatch ability for chicks hatched during the week was 83 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

BROILER CHICKS PLACED UP 4 PERCENT

Broiler growers in the 15-state weekly program placed 149 million chicks for meat production during the week ending January 5, 2002. Placements were up 4 percent from the comparable week in 2001.

NOTE: Beginning January 2, 2002, the Broiler Hatchery report will ONLY be available under "Publications" on the Arkansas Agricultural Statistics Service Home-Page at <http://www.nass.usda.gov/ar/>. Please call 1-800-327-2970 if you do not have access to internet service and would like to continue receiving copies of the report by mail.